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Cemetery maintenance has continued as usual throughout the lockdown period.

Humberston Parish Council - Parish Council Notes

The last meetings of the Parish Council have been held virtually via the Zoom platform, with members accessing the meeting with both audio and visual means. Members of the public have also been joining in as well as Ward Councillors. The meetings will hopefully be held normally when appropriate to do so, but in the meantime the meeting schedule has been maintained throughout these last three months through the virtual meetings.

Annual Meeting

The Annual Parish Council meeting was held slightly later than usual in June with Cllr. Bailey being re-elected as Chairman of the Council, Cllr. Scoffin as Vice-Chair and also a new member joined in June with Cllr. Jane Woollock being coopted. Former member, Cllr. Robinson, has now left the Council. As of the end of June, 10 members sit on the Council and there are still 2 casual vacancies.

Highways/Footpaths/Traffic Issues

The TRO for Humberston which will prevent parking on verges and footways has now been formally advertised by NELC and the last part of action on getting this in place is now awaited.

Wendover Hall and Wendover Paddock Hall

Both Halls have remained closed during the lockdown period, closing from the second week in March. The old Hall reopened on 1st June just for the Wendover Preschool to return, but all other hirings are suspended until the Government guidance tells the PC it is safe to open. During the lockdown period, a deep clean has been undertaken and the new Paddock Hall has been decorated throughout internally and also external decorating has now been completed. The PC has installed hand sanitisers and notices throughout the Halls and will be putting in any necessary measures before any reopening takes place.

Planning

The Parish Council continues to receive consultation on many planning applications for Humberston and these are discussed at the Parish Council main monthly meetings and also at an interim Planning Committee Meeting held mid-way through the month.

Residents are most welcome to attend and make the Parish Council aware of any issues with planning. All Planning Agendas and Minutes are all on the Parish Council website. /continued over.....

Parish Council notes continued....

Finance

The Parish Council has had its internal audit for the financial year accounts 19/20 completed and a copy of this is on our website. The accounts have now been submitted to the external auditors, PKF Littlejohn, and the Annual Return completed and also published on our website. The public have a period for the right of inspection of the accounts and the dates for this are also on our website.

Next Meetings

Main monthly meetings of the Council are always held on the first calendar Tuesday of each month at 7.15 pm at the old Wendover Hall, Humberston. There is also an extra meeting night on the third calendar Tuesday of each month, where planning committee and also mid-month Parish Council meetings are held.

Next Scheduled Meetings are:

Tuesday 7th July 2020	7.15	Full Council
Tuesday 21st July 2020	7.15	Planning/mid-month meeting
Tuesday 4th August 2020	7.15	Full Council
Tuesday 18th August 2020	7.15	Planning/mid-month meeting
Tuesday 1st Sept 2020	7.15	Full Council
Tuesday 15th Sept 2020	7.15	Planning/mid-month meeting

Residents and visitors are warmly welcomed at our meetings and there is a 'public session' held at the Chairman's discretion, for members of the public to be able to speak on issues before the Council.

Any resident wishing to place an item for discussion on the Parish Council Meeting Agenda should make sure it is sent to the Clerk, Kathy Peers, at least one week before the meeting, ie it should be with the Clerk by the Tuesday before each main monthly meeting or we cannot guarantee it will be placed on the Agenda.

Whilst virtual meetings are being held, please contact the Clerk for access codes.

Agendas for meetings are on our website at
"www.humberstonparishcouncil.com"

Clerk to the Council – Kathy Peers –

clerk@humberstonparishcouncil.com Tel 07494 577661

Parish Council Vacancies

There are currently two vacancies on the Parish Council at Humberston.

Parish Councillors come from all walks of life and age groups and the Parish Council would be very happy to receive expressions of interest from residents who may be interested in joining it. The Council members are involved in running the services which the Parish Council provides for the Village such as the Wendover Paddock, the Village Halls, the allotments and Humberston Cemetery, as well as managing land within the Village and putting on events for the local community.

Councillors are also consulted on all planning applications within the Village by NELC and also is involved in highways matters in liaison with the local authority.

Meetings are always on the first and third Tuesdays of each calendar month, starting at 7.15 pm.

Training is also provided by the Parish Council and most people who join find it a rewarding and beneficial experience, getting involved in the life of their Village and having the chance to make a real difference.

If you're interested do come along to a meeting and sit through and see whether this would be something you might be interested in, or speak to an existing Council member or ring the Clerk or Chairman for an informal chat—details are on the Parish Council contact page.

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The Parish Council website has now been upgraded and is now suitable for use with mobile devices etc.

You can also access details of agendas, minutes etc. at www.humberstonparishcouncil.com and we also update news and events etc. on our Facebook page.

If you want to write to us please send correspondence to:

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Crime

There have been 22 reported crimes across the Humberston & New Waltham Ward for May. There were 11 reports for Humberston.

Commercial Burglary: 1

During the evening of 25th May, a teaching block at Humberston Academy was entered via the fire door. Nothing was stolen.

Criminal Damage: 2

Damage to windows at building huts at the Old Paddock Court development. Glue put into padlocks at a premises on Wilton Road.

Other crimes include:

Five shop thefts, two from Spar, two from Tesco and one from PoundStretcher. Two males have been charged separately with two of these thefts.

One assault.

Theft of a bike from North Sea Lane.

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If you feel that there are other issues affecting you or your local community that should be given priority, please inform your local councillors or your Neighbourhood Policing Team.

The number to call for non-emergency issues is 101

The named officers for the Humberston and New Waltham Ward will are:
PC 995 Dave Cave david.cave@humberston.pnn.police.uk
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DOG FOULING

Please remember its an offence to let your dog foul the foot-path or any other public area such as parks etc.

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Many thanks.



Humberston Litter Picker

The Parish Council is now employing a dedicated litter picker/ general operative for Humberston Village.

The member of staff will be on duty litter picking, helping out with any road signs which need attention or cleaning and doing some gritting in bad weather on land which the Parish Council has responsibility for.

If you spot any excessive amounts of litter building up at a particular location in the Village, do report it to us by email to :

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And we will send our operative out to deal with it.

We can only cover light litter, paper, plastic bottles etc. but if you see any larger scale items which would be classed as fly-tipping, then do report these either to us or to the local authority on 01472-313131 so that this can be sorted out.

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If you don't have access to the internet and would like to report something, please call us on 07494 577661 and we can put it through for you.



The Parish Council website at

www.humberstonparishcouncil.com

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Ward Councillor Notes

Ward Councillor Notes June 2020

It appeared that the whole world had stopped due to the arrival of the global pandemic caused by Covid-19.

Lockdown measures were announced by the prime minister on the 23rd March and our day to day activities changed dramatically. The measures were put in place with a message to **Stay at Home, Protect the NHS and Save Lives** in order to reduce the transmission of Covid-19 and to reduce the burden on the NHS. We all look forward to a return to 'normal'.

The major change for us as ward councillors was the lack of personal contact and the cessation of committee meetings. Emergency government legislation was passed to enable Council meetings and committees to be held by teleconference and virtual remote meetings have replaced meetings traditionally held in a committee room attended by members of the public. New IT skills have had to be mastered to be able to participate. Virtual meetings have also been made available for members of the public to view, and for certain criteria, participate.

Council elections due to take place in May were cancelled and have now been deferred to next year. Formal activities such as Mayor Making were also cancelled.

The lockdown created concerns for vulnerable residents and these concerns have brought out a caring response from individuals. NELC co-ordinated a food parcel delivery for residents on a shielding list until government schemes took over or alternative food and essentials deliveries were put in place. Ward councillors participated by delivering the council parcels to the identified residents in our ward.

Volunteer groups also set up a rapid response by organising collection of food and medical supplies on behalf of shielding residents. Ward Councillors have also been calling some vulnerable residents to ensure somebody is keeping in touch.

The financial impact of the crisis is considerable, and central government have established an unprecedented package of support for individuals through the furlough scheme, and there has been considerable support for our shielded and vulnerable residents through food parcels and direct financial support.

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Ward Councillor Notes continued.....

The business community has been supported with relief on business rates and loans; and up to £25,000 of Business Support Grant has helped 3,500 local businesses to get through the Covid-19 emergency. For business ineligible for this grant, applications are in for a government allocated Discretionary Grant Fund.

During all of this, your council has managed to maintain day to day services such as refuse, recycling and garden waste collections, grass-cutting and highway repairs without interruption. Major highway projects have also progressed. Services have continued to be supported by council employees who have been working remotely. A massive thank you must go to our council staff, both backroom and frontline, who have ensured a degree of normality.

NELC has received some financial support to help with the many additional costs it has incurred, for example covering additional staff costs to offset staff self-isolating, but costs significantly exceed this support. We hope that Boris is aware of this and will be working on mechanisms that protect future local services.

There has been a community appreciation for our valued NHS and frontline workers that manifested in the weekly doorstep celebration at 8pm on Thursdays by the simple act of applauding. As ward Councillors our thanks go out to the NHS and thoughts go out to the families who have been affected by the virus. I think we all have concerns that the lockdown will be replaced by a recession and a new 'normal'. It remains to be seen how quickly the local economy can recover. Inevitably there will be business casualties, but we can all help by "thinking local" and "buying local".

That said the shoots of recovery are growing. House building has recommenced, and economic activity is returning. Retail is also returning, and I know I certainly enjoyed the simple pleasure of a bag of chips, even if the act of purchase was more complicated.

Well done to all our residents for minimising contagion by staying at home and social distancing. Whatever the short term and long-term return to normal looks like, we are here to respond to resident issues

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A huge thank you

to everyone who has volunteered to help the Parish Council's local volunteer force, headed by the Chairman, Cllr. Sue Bailey. The group has been helping collect shopping, prescriptions etc. and run other errands during the lockdown period for vulnerable residents.

A big thank you to you all of you who have volunteered to help us during recent months.



EVENTS UPDATE !!!!!

It is with great disappointment that we have had to cancel our Summer Event for this year. After having to cancel our VE Day celebrations too, the Council is sorry to have to cancel the Summer Event due to safety concerns.

We are hopeful that we may still be able to do our Christmas Event, and if so details will be published in the next Newsletter for Autumn and then the Christmas edition—let's all keep our fingers crossed!

The Parish Council

VE DAY CELEBRATIONS

Of course our wonderful VE Day event had to be cancelled but residents took to their own gardens and the streets to celebrate



Thanks to Kev Burnley for his pictures

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St.Peter's Parish Church, Humberston

Greetings from St Peter's Church

I wonder how the recent weeks of lockdown have been for you? COVID 19 has meant that some of us are busier than ever adapting to huge new changes at work or at home, for others the days go slowly. For many the pressure of family life in lockdown is as challenging as the isolation of living alone.

Many good things are happening: people are working hard to support their neighbours, we can show our support for key workers on the Thursday evening applause, our Parish Council is busy supporting members of the community, and at St Peter's we are always praying for the parish; our concern and prayers are especially for schools and care homes, as well as vulnerable community members, and it has been wonderful to welcome more followers to our Facebook page in recent weeks as we continue to pray for you.

One of Humberston's greatest assets is its open spaces, particularly the cemetery and St Peter's churchyard. These are places of great beauty and peace, where we remember our loved ones who have lived before us, and where we have space to think about the meaning of life. Here too we can notice the seasons turning, and remind ourselves that every day/week things are different; change is part of life.

COVID19 reminds us that change isn't always predictable, and we are now facing unprecedented changes in our community life. Like me you may have felt huge sadness that the VE day celebrations didn't take place – so much thought and planning had to be put on hold. We face an uncertain future, unclear at the moment about how we can make plans or what church or community life will look like.

As you have reflected during lockdown I wonder if the words to old hymns have come into your mind? Hymns like

*O God our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come
Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home*

Or the line from Abide with Me: *"O thou who changest not abide with me"*

These words comfort us. They remind us that despite everything, the promises of God hold true. The Christian faith assures us that we never have to face anything on our own. God is with us, and God's presence makes a difference.

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Councillor Pam Stevenson

Very many congratulations to Cllr. Pam Stevenson, seen here receiving acknowledgement of over 30 years' service on Humberston Parish Council from the Mayor of North East Lincolnshire



Cllr. Stevenson is currently the longest-serving member of a Parish Council within North East Lincolnshire. The Parish Council and Ward Councillors for Humberston arranged for Cllr. Stevenson to be received in the Mayor's Parlour, along with her husband, Malcolm, earlier this year in recognition of her service to the local community.

This summer I will be moving to Canterbury with my family. I have worked at St Peter's for nearly 3 years. It has been such a joy, and whilst I'm looking forward to new challenges I am equally sad to be leaving Humberston –there is so much to celebrate here; it is a lovely place to live and work, many people are committed to the community, and new life and energy is being brought in as people move into new housing.

St Peter's is always keen to welcome people, both in church, and to our Facebook page where you can keep in touch with what's going on in church locally as well as the wider church.

When possible, church will reopen for regular worship, and St Peter's congregation will be delighted to welcome you then, or if you wish to book a wedding or christening.

If you would like to find out more about St Peter's today these are the people you can contact:

Sue Sinclair – Churchwarden 07708 974390

Theresa Barker – Treasurer 07855 912492

Lesley Howard – Secretary 07904 983738

May God Bless You, and everyone you love and care for.

With every best wish

Rev Louise Vincer

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